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# A REVIEW OF THE GENUS *POECILAGENIA* HAUPT, 1927 (HYMENOPTERA, POMPILIDAE) OF THE RUSSIA WITH THE WORLD CATALOGUE OF THE SPECIES

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A review of five species of the genus *Poecilagenia* Haupt, 1927 and the key to the Russian species are given. *P. rubricans* (Lepeletier, 1845) is redescribed and newly recorded from the Russian Far East (Primorskii krai). *P. sculpturata* (Kohl, 1898) is newly recorded from Khabarovskii krai. A catalogue of 22 species and one subspecies of the genus is given and one species is excluded from *Poecilagenia*. Ten new combinations are proposed: *Poecilagenia gracilis* (Haupt, 1959), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), *P. imitator* (Ashmead, 1905), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), *P. nigra* (Arnold, 1959), **comb. n.** (from *Trachyglyptus*), *P. nigripes* (Banks, 1934), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), *P. procera* (Haupt, 1959), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), *P. rufithorax* (Banks, 1934), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), *P. semirufa* (Banks, 1938), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), *P. taiwana* (Tsuneki, 1989), **comb. n.** (from *Taiwagenia*). New synonymy is proposed: *Machaerothrix coactifrons* Haupt, 1938, female =*Poecilagenia sinensis* Wahis, 1970, male, **syn. n.** Lectotype is designated for *Trachyglyptus niger* Arnold, 1959.

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Дан обзор 5 видов дорожных ос рода *Poecilagenia*, Haupt, 1927 и составлена определительная таблица видов фауны России. *P. rubricans* (Lepeletier, 1845) переописан и впервые указан для Дальнего Востока России (Приморский край). *P. sculpturata* (Kohl, 1898) впервые указан для Хабаровского края. Приведен каталог 22 видов и 1 подвида этого рода, а 1 вид исключен из *Poecilagenia*. Предложено 10 новых комбинаций: *Poecilagenia gracilis* (Haupt, 1959), **comb. n.** (из рода *Meragenia*), *P. imitator* (Ashmead, 1905), **comb. n.** (из *Meragenia*), *P. imitator clara* (Banks, 1934), **comb. n.** (из *Meragenia*), *P. nigra* (Arnold, 1959), **comb. n.** (из *Trachyglyptus*), *P. nigripes* (Banks, 1934), **comb. n.** (из *Meragenia*), *P. procera* (Haupt, 1959), **comb. n.** (из *Meragenia*), *P. rufithorax* (Banks, 1934), **comb. n.** (из *Meragenia*), *P. semirufa* (Banks, 1938), **comb. n.** (из *Meragenia*), *P. taiwana* (Tsuneki, 1989), **comb. n.** (из *Taiwagenia*). Предложена новая синонимия: *Machaerothrix coactifrons* Наирt, 1938, самка *Poecilagenia sinensis* Wahis, 1970, самец, **syn. n.** Обозначен лектотип *Trachyglyptus niger* Arnold, 1959.

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#### INTRODUCTION

The *Poecilagenia* is cleptoparasitic genus in the subfamily Pepsinae. It is characterized by short and stout antennae which are known in other cleptoparasitic spider wasps. Propodeum coarsely rugose or reticulate-rugose. This genus is distributed throughout the Old World, but is represented by 22 species and one subspecies: six species – in the Palaearctic region, nine species and one subspecies – in Oriental, and seven species – in Afrotropical region. In the Russia four species of *Poecilagenia* were known (Tobias, 1978; Lelej, 1986a, 1995, 2000), three species distributed in Japan (Shimizu, 2000). A. Shimizu (2000) gave generic characters key and description of Japanese species. In spite that *Meragenia* Banks and *Taiwagenia* Tsuneki were synonymized (Arnold, 1935; Shimizu, 2000), the species of these genera formally have not been transferred to the *Poecilagenia*.

The current paper based on 23 specimens of *Poecilagenia* and 19 specimens of *Machaerothrix*. These rare wasps were collected in 1980-2008 in the former USSR or received for an exchange and deposited in the collection of the Institute of Biology and Soil Science, Vladivostok.

## GENUS POECILAGENIA HAUPT, 1927

*Poecilagenia* Haupt, 1927: 127 (key), 130 (description), ♀ ♂ (type species *Calicurgus rubricans* Lepeletier, 1845, ♀, France, by original designation); 1938: 43; Pate, 1946: 101; Haupt, 1959: 5, 7; Priesner, 1960: 68; 1967: 137; Wahis, 1970: 714 (part.); Wolf, 1971: 28; 1972: 74; Tobias, 1978: 114; Oehlke, Wolf, 1987: 342; Lelej, 1990: 74; Schmid-Egger, Wolf, 1992: 354; Wolf, 1992: 47, 52; Lelej, 1995: 230; Wahis, 1996: 211; Shimizu, 1996: 508; 2000: 101; Lelej, 2000: 622; Wahis, 2002: 76; Wahis, Smissen, 2005: 81; Wahis, 2006: 34; Jozan, 2006: 283, ♂.

*Meragenia* Banks, 1934: 39 (key), 75 (description), ♂♀ (type species: *Pseudagenia imitator* Ashmead, 1905, the Philippines, by original designation); Pate, 1946: 93; Haupt, 1959: 45; Wolf, 1993: 999; 1994: 187. Synonymized by Arnold, 1935: 30 and merely repeated by Shimizu, 2000: 102.

Poecilageniella Ishikawa, 1965: 131, ♀ ♂ (type species: Poecilageniella hirashimai Ishikawa, 1965, ♀ ♂, Japan (Hokkaido), by original designation); Lelej, 1986a: 807; 1995: 230. Synonymized by Shimizu, 1996: 508.

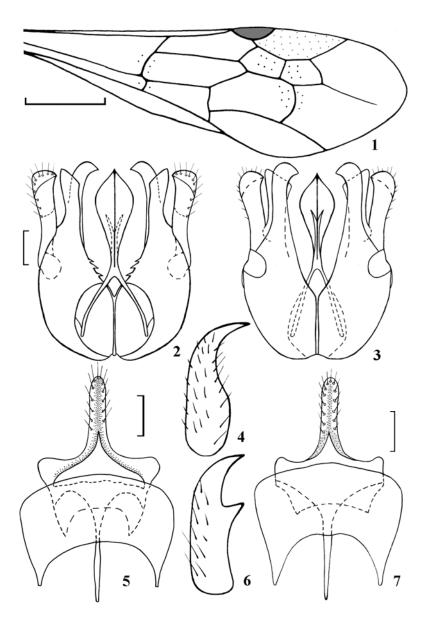
Taiwagenia Tsuneki, 1989: 77 (♂), 177 (♀) (type species: *Taiwagenia taiwana* Tsuneki, 1989, China (Taiwan), by original designation). Synonymized by Shimizu, 2000: 102. *Trachyglyptus*: Arnold, 1959: 498, ♀.

NOTES. Generic characters (female and male) and phylogenetic relationships of *Poecilagenia* within the tribe Ageniellini Banks, 1912 see Shimizu (1994, 2000).

The main character which differs genus *Trachyglyptus* Arnold, 1934 (type species: *Cryptosalius spinosipes* Turner, 1927, female, South Africa) from *Poecilagenia* is mentum with a few irregularly placed, erect and thin hairs (glabrous in *Poecilagenia*) (Arnold, 1934). Really the female of *Poecilagenia* has prementum with a few, fine but very long curved setae, which is considered as derived state within the Pepsinae (Shimizu, 2000). Quite possible that *Trachyglyptus* is merely a synonym of *Poecilagenia*. For the more the second species of this genus described by Arnold (1959) (*Trachyglyptus niger* Arnold, 1959) was identified by Wahis and Day as *Poecilagenia nigra* (see below).

#### KEY TO THE RUSSIAN SPECIES

1.	Females (unknown for <i>P. shimizui</i> Lelej)
_	Males
2.	Third submarginal cell removed much less than its own length from wing tip. Forewing without dark fascia. Mesonotum with large punctures spaced irregularly, in addition to dense minute punctures. Metapostnotum about 0.22-0.26X as long as metanotum. Mid and hind tibiae with very short, weak, sparse spines. – Third antennal segment (flagellomere 1) 2.8-3.2X as long as thick. Relation
	POD: OOD 1: 1.0-1.4 (ratio 0.7-1.0X). Body, antennae and legs black. 5.5-9.5
	mm
_	Third submarginal cell removed more than its own length from wing tip (Fig. 1).
	Forewing bifasciate. Mesonotum with dense small punctures regular in size and
	spacing. Metapostnotum slightly shorter than metanotum. Mid and hind tibiae
	with more or less long, coarse spines
3.	Frons with a pair of strongly raised longitudinal supraantennal tubercles. – Rela-
-	tion POD: OOD 1: 1.8-2.0 (ratio 0.5-0.55X). Third antennal segment 2.9-3.2X
	as long as thick. 6.5-9.2 mm
	Frons without a pair of supraantennal tubercles
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4.	Body black, propodeum, metapleuron, postero-ventral part of mesopleuron,
	metanotum, metapostnotum, hind coxae except of apical part ferruginous-red.
	Supraantennal area of frons without longitudinal impressed polished median
	line. M almost touch the wing apex (Fig. 1). 2m-cu arcuate. Third antennal seg-
	ment 2.3X as long as thick. 5.5-8.0 mm
	3



Figs 1-7. *Poecilagenia*. 1-5) *P. rubricans* (1- female, 2-5 - male): 1) forewing, 2, 3) genitalia (2 - ventral view, 3 - dorsal view), 4) hind tarsal claw, 5) sterna 7 and 8 (hypopygium), ventral view; 6, 7) *P. shimizui*, holotype: 6) hind tarsal claw, 7) sterna 7 and 8 (hypopygium), ventral view. Scale bar 1 mm for fig. 1, 0.1 mm for figs 2-7.

- Submarginal cell 3 removed more than its own length from wing tip. Mesonotum with dense small punctures regular in size and spacing. Metapostnotum almost as long as metanotum

Hind tarsal claws weakly bent preapically (Fig. 4). Propodeum abrupt, strongly reticulo-punctate and rugose. Third antennal segment 1.5-1.6X as long as thick, 0.4-0.45X as long as scape and pedicel combined. Genitalia and sterna 7, 8 (Figs 2, 3, 5). 4.9-6.0 mm

#### LIST OF THE RUSSIAN SPECIES

#### 1. Poecilagenia rubricans (Lepeletier, 1845)

Calicurgus rubricans Lepeletier, 1845: 409, ♀ (type locality: Forêt de Bondy [France, environs of Paris]).

*Poecilagenia rubricans*: Haupt, 1927: 130, ♀ ♂; Priesner, 1967: 138; Wahis, 1970: 714; 1971: 603; Wolf, 1971: 28; 1972: 75; Tobias, 1978: 114; Oehlke, Wolf, 1987: 342; Wahis, Gros, 1991: 56; Wolf, 1992: 84; Schmid-Egger, Wolf, 1992: 354; Wolf, 1993: 999; Wahis, Smissen, 2005: 81; Wahis, 2006: 34; Jozan, 2006: 283.

Pompilus speciosus Verhoeff, 1890: 328, ♀ (type locality: "Germania"). Synonymized by Haupt, 1927: 130.

Salius scarlatinosus Morawitz, 1892: 153, 9 "Kurjasch" [Ukraine, Kharkov], type material probably lost. Synonymized by Haupt, 1927: 130.

Poecilagenia unimaculata Haupt, 1937: 66, 70 [holotype - ♀, Bologna, 5.VI 1936 (Ronzano)]. Synonymized by Wahis, 1986: 15.

Because the description (especially the male) of the type species is insufficient the redescription based on studied material is given below.

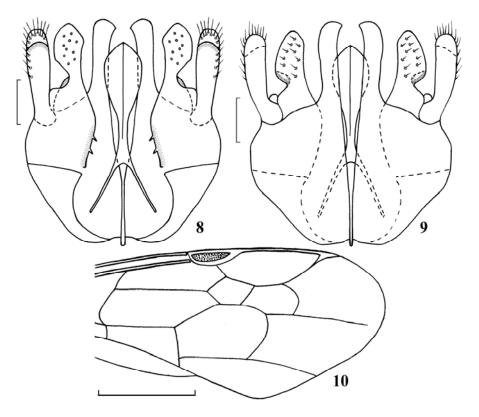
REDESCRIPTION. FEMALE (based on specimen from Primorskii krai). Body length 5.5 mm. Head in frontal view 1.1X as broad as long. Supraantennal area of frons with a distinctly impressed median line. Ocelli small, ratio POD:OOD=0.8X. Clypeus 2.9X as broad as long, weakly convex, with arcuate anterior margin. Lubrum with a medial weak excision. Relation of first four antennal segments 25:14:25:22; third antennal segment (flagellomere 1) 2.3X as long as thick. All tarsal claws symmetrical, with little tooth on inner side. Metapostnotum slightly shorter than metanotum. Forewing venation (Fig. 1): 3r-m, 2m-cu arcuate, M almost touch the wing apex. Forewing slightly infuscate with a scarcely visible fascia on second abscissa of vein M and crossvein cu-a, and a second one occupying submarginal cell 2 and 3, radial cell and apical part of discoidal cell 2 (Fig. 1). Hind wing hyaline, without dark fascia. Mid and hind tibiae with four longitudinal rows of short spines (stronger on hind tibia) and apical spines. Basitarsus of mid and hind tarsi spinose.

Frons, clypeus, pronotum, mesonotum and mesopleuron with dense strongly regular punctures; genae, occiput, metasoma with smaller and sparser punctures. Propodeum coarsely strongly transversely rugose and reticulate. Metasoma shining.

Body black, propodeum, postero-ventral part of mesopleuron, metanotum, metapostnotum, hind coxae except apical part ferruginous-red.

MALE. Body length 6.0-8.0 mm. Head in frontal view 1.1X as broad as long. Ocelli small, ratio *POD*: *OOD* 0.9-1.0X. Clypeus 2.4X as broad as long and weakly convex. Relation of four basal antennal segments 21:11:13:16. Third antennal segment (flagellomere 1) 1.5-1.6X as long as thick and 0.23X upper interocular distance. Metapostnotum slightly shorter than metanotom. Propodeum in dorsal view roundly produced postero-laterally, 0.64-0.68X as long as width. Marginal cell long, removed 0.33-0.42X its own maximal length from wing tip. Ratio of submarginal cell 2: submarginal cell 3: 1.0-1.1X on vein *Rs* and 0.90-0.95X on vein *M*. Submarginal cell 2: 1.7-1.75X as long as high, submarginal cell 3: 1.41-1.45X as long as high. Tarsal claws of hind legs symmetrical edentate and weakly bent preapicaly (Fig. 4), fore and mid claws unidentate. Sternum 7, 8 (hypopygium) and genitalia (Figs 2, 3, 5).

Clypeus with coarse punctures in apical part except polished rim, in other part with even somewhat reticulo-punctate. Frons with dense strong punctures regular in size and spacing. Vertex and genae with small sparse punctures. Pronotal dorsum with strong coarse punctures forming reticulate. Scutum and disc of scutellum with dense large punctures regular in size and spacing. Lateral part of scutellum weakly striate. Disc of metanotum with dense small punctures, its lateral part polished and delicate obliquely striate. Metapostnotum finely transversally striate. Propleuron strongly densely punctate, upper-front portion reticulo-punctate. Mesopleuron with dense, coarse punctures. Metapleuron reticulo-striate. Propodeum coarsely transversally reticulo-rugose.



Figs 8-10. *Poecilagenia shimizui*, male (holotype): 8, 9) genitalia (8 – ventral view, 9 – dorsal view), 10) forewing. Scale bar 0.1 mm for figs 8, 9, 1 mm for fig. 9.

Body black, tergum 7 with ivory-white marking, legs from brown to pale-brown except coxae. Clypeus, mesosoma, coxae with whitish, sparse pubescence, other parts of head, metasoma with brownish, sparse pubescence. Propleuron, lateral part of pronotum with sparse rather long brown hairs; propodeum postero-laterally and hind coxae dorsally with dense silver hairs.

SPECIMENS EXAMINED. Russia: Krasnodarskii krai, Sochi, Lazarevskoe 9.VIII 1985, 1 d (Shlyakhtenok); Primorskii krai, Chuguevka, upper part of the Pravaya Sokolovka River, secondary birch forest, 18.VIII 2008, yellow pan trap, 1 \u2264 (Loktionov). Ukraine: Zaporozhskaya oblast, Vasil'evka 6.VIII 1980, 1 d (Tolkanits).

DISTRIBUTION. Russia: Krasnodarskii krai (Tobias, 1978), Far East (new record) (Primorskii krai). – Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Corsica, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Hungary, Poland, Greece, Slovenia, Croatia, Serbia, Turkey: Asian part (Wahis & Gros, 1991, 2007), Ukraine (Tobias, 1978).

#### 2. Poecilagenia hirashimai (Ishikawa, 1965)

Poecilageniella hirashimai Ishikawa, 1965: 133, ♀ ♂ (holotype - ♀, Japan, Yukomanbetsu on Mt. Daisetsuzan in Central Hokkaido, 2.VIII 1955 (Y. Hirashima) [Japan], deposited in Entomological Laboratory, Kyushu University, examined by ASL); Lelej, 1986a: 808; 1995: 231.

Poecilagenia hirashimai: Shimizu, 1996: 509; 2000: 108; Lelej, 2000: 623.

SPECIMENS EXAMINED. Russia, Primorskii krai: "Kedrovaya Pad" reserve, 21.VIII 1979, 1º (Belokobylskij); Vladivostok, Sedanka, 31.VII 1984, 2ơ (Belokobylskij); 20 km SE of Spassk, 22.VII 1998, 3ơ (Belokobylskij); Chuguevka, upper part of the Pravaya Sokolovka River, 20, 21.VIII 2008, 1ơ, 2º (Loktionov). Japan: Niigata Prefecture, Sasagamine Myoko, 14.IX 1980, 1º (Itami).

DISTRIBUTION. Russia: Primorskii krai (Lelej, 1986a, 1995). – Japan: Hokkaido, Honshu (Shimizu, 2000).

#### 3. Poecilagenia maruyamai (Ishikawa, 1965)

Poecilageniella maruyamai Ishikawa, 1965: 136, ♀ (holotype - ♀, Karuizawa, Nagano Pref., 9.IX 1954 (Ishikawa) [Japan, Honshu], deposited in the National Science Museum, Tokyo, examined by ASL).

Poecilagenia maruyamai: Shimizu, 1996: 509, ♀; 2000: 111, ♀ ♂.

SPECIMENS EXAMINED. Japan: Aichi, Asahi, Yawata Shrine 12-21.VIII 1998, 1 d (Ozawa).

DISTRIBUTION. Japan (Honshu, Kyushu), Korea (Shimizu, 2000).

#### 4. Poecilagenia sculpturata (Kohl, 1898)

Pseudagenia sculpturata Kohl, 1898: 102, ♀ (type locality Spain).

Poecilagenia sculpturata: Wahis, 1970: 714; Wolf, 1972: 75; Lelej, 1990: 74; 1995: 230; Wahis, 1996: 211; Lelej, 2000: 622; Shimizu, 2000: 104; Wahis, 2002: 76; 2005: 47; 2006: 34; Jozan, 2006: 283.

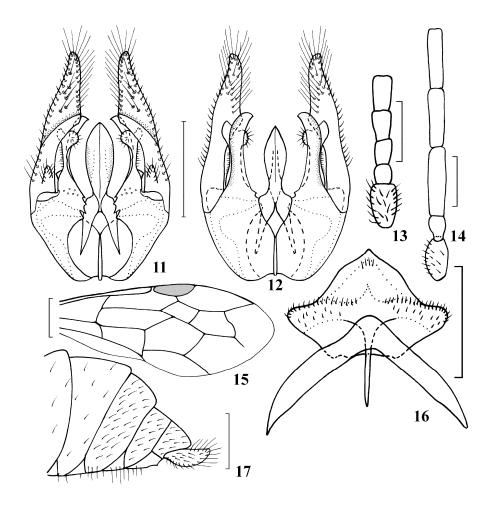
Meragenia sculpturata: Wolf, 1993: 999, 1994: 187.

Poecilagenia nigrina Haupt, 1938: 43, ♀ nec ♂ (holotype - ♀, Podčetrtek, leg. Jaeger [Slovenia]). Synonymized by Wahis, 1970: 716.

Poecilagenia moreli Nouvel et Ribaut, 1958: 519, ♀ (type locality "Montbartier et d'Orange" [South France]). Synonymized by Wahis, 1970: 716.

Poecilagenia rubricans moreli: Wolf, 1965: 8; Priesner, 1967: 138.

SPECIMENS EXAMINED. Russia, Primorskii krai: Yakovlevka, 1.VII 1986, 1° (Lelej); Lazovskii reserve, Pryamushka River, 19.IX-3.X 2001, 1° (Quest); Khabarovskii krai: Evoron Lake, 17.VII 2006, yellow pan trap, 1° (Proshchalykin). Japan: Aichi Kasugai, Takagi (weed land), 1-7.VI 1994, 1° (Sanda).



Figs 11-17. Males of *Machaerothrix* and *Poecilagenia*. 11, 12, 14-17) *M. ussuriensis*, male: 11, 12) genitalia (11 - ventral view, 12 - dorsal view), 14) antennal segments 1-5, 15) forewing, 16) sterna 7 and 8 (hypopygium), ventral view, 17) last metasomal segments, laterla view; 13) *P. shimizui*, holotype, antennal segments 1-5. Scale bar 1 mm for fig. 15, 0.5 mm for figs 11-14, 16, 17.

DISTRIBUTION. Russia: Khabarovskii krai (new record), Primorskii krai (Lelej, 1990, 1995). – Japan (Honshu, Kyushu) (Shimizu, 2000), China (Shanghai, Heilongjiang) (Haupt, 1938; Shimizu, 2000), Slovenia (Haupt, 1938), Spain, South France including Corsica, Austria, Italy (Wahis, 2005, 2007), Hungary (Jozan, 2006).

#### 5. Poecilagenia shimizui Lelej, 2000

Poecilagenia shimizui Lelej, 2000: 622 (holotype - ♂, Lazovskii reserve, 10 km W of Preobrazhenie, 15.VIII 1986 (Lelej) [Russia, Primorskii krai], deposited in the Institute of Biology and Soil Science, Vladivostok).

NOTES. The differences from related species see key above. Because the genitalia figure in the original description (Lelej, 2000) was not accurate we gave here the new ones and added the hypopygium and claw figures (Figs 6-9).

SPECIMENS EXAMINED. Besides the holotype and paratype the following specimens are studied. Russia, Primorskii krai: 5 km E of Zarubino, Andreyevka, 5.VIII 1985, 1& (Belokobylskij); Novokachalinsk, 23.VII 1995, 1& (Belokobylskij); 20 km SE of Spassk, 22.VII 1998, 1& (Belokobylskij); Ussuriysk, meadow, 20.VII 2008. 1& (Loktionov).

DISTRIBUTION. Russia: Primorskii krai (Lelej, 2000).

#### CATALOGUE OF THE POECILAGENIA SPECIES

(references are given for the species not listed above)

#### Palaearctic

hirashimai (Ishikawa, 1965) (Poecilageniella), ♀ ♂. – Russia (Primorskii krai), Japan (Hokkaido, Honshu).

*maruyamai* (Ishikawa, 1954) (*Poecilageniella*), ♀♂. – Japan (Honshu, Kyushu), Republic of Korea.

rubricans (Lepeletier, 1845) (*Calicurgus*) (=speciosus Verhoeff, 1890; =scarlatinosus Morawitz, 1892; =unimaculata Haupt, 1937), ♀ ♂. − Russia (Krasnodarskii krai, Primorskii krai), Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, France (including Corsica), Germany, Italy, Spain, Hungary, Poland, Greece, Slovenia, Croatia, Serbia, Ukraine, Turkey (Asian part).

rufipes (Priesner, 1955) (Pseudagenia), \( \varphi \). – Egypt (Priesner, 1955, 1960).

sculpturata (Kohl, 1898) ( *Pseudagenia*) (=*nigrina* Haupt, 1938; =*moreli* Nouvel et Ribaut, 1958), ♀ ♂. − Russia (Khabarovskii krai, Primorskii krai), Japan (Honshu, Kyushu), China (Heilongjiang), Austria, Slovenia, Spain, South France (including Corsica), Italy, Hungary.

shimizui Lelej, 2000, J. – Russia (Primorskii krai).

#### Oriental

gracilis (Haupt, 1959), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), ♀. – Myanmar (Haupt, 1959). *imitator* (Ashmead, 1905), **comb. n.** (described in *Pseudagenia*, replaced to *Meragenia* by Banks, 1934), ♀ ♂. – Philippines (Banks, 1934).

*imitator clara* (Banks, 1934), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), ♀. – Philippines (Banks, 1934).

nigripes (Banks, 1934), comb. n. (from Meragenia), \( \chi \). – Philippines (Banks, 1934).

- *obumbrata* (Haupt, 1959), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), ♀. China ["Canton" (Guangdung)] (Haupt, 1959).
- procera (Haupt, 1959), **comb. n.** (from *Meragenia*), ♀. China (Taiwan) (Haupt, 1959).
- rufithorax (Banks, 1934), comb. n. (from Meragenia), ♀. Philippines (Banks, 1934).
- semirufa (Banks, 1938), comb. n. (from Meragenia), ♀. Singapore (Banks, 1938).
- stulta (Bingham, 1896) (*Pseudagenia*), ♀. Myanmar ("Tenasserim") (Bingham, 1897).
- taiwana (Tsuneki, 1989), **comb. n.** (from *Taiwagenia*), ♀ ♂. China (Taiwan) (Tsuneki, 1989).

#### Afrotropical

- braunsi Arnold, 1934, ♀ ♂. Liberia, Cameroon ("Eloby"), Uganda, South Africa (KwaZuluNatal) (Arnold, 1934).
- longicollis Arnold, 1951, 9. Ghana ("Aburi, Gold Cost") (Arnold, 1951).
- *major* Arnold, 1952, ♀. Malawi ("Mlanje, Nyasaland, 2000 ft.") (Arnold, 1952). *nigeriensis* Arnold, 1934, ♀ ♂. Nigeria, Uganda (Arnold, 1934).
- nigra (Arnold, 1959), ♀, comb. n. (from Trachyglyptus). South Africa (Arnold, 1959). Lectotype (designated here, deposited in the Museum of Zoology, Lund University): ♀ with seven labels: S.Afr. Cape Prov./ Cape Peninsula. Hout/ Bay. Skoorsteenkop/ 26.XII.50. No.95 // Swedish South Africa/ Expedition/ 1950-1951/ Brinck Rudebeck // Insect trap 7 Alt. ft. // TYPE "♀"/ Trachyglyptus/ niger/ G.Arnold (Red label) // 1973/142 (Green loan number) // Poecilagenia/ niger (Arnold) "♀"/ det. M.C.Day 1977 // R.Wahis det. 1992/ Poecilagenia "♀"/ nigra/ (Arnold). We have requested the addition of a eighth (red) label: "LECTOTYPUS / Trachyglyptus niger / Arnold, 1959, ♀ / Lelej & Loktionov, 2008".
- reversa (Bischoff, 1913) (Pseudagenia), ♀. Zimbabwe (Bulawayo) (Bischoff, 1913), South Africa (Arnold, 1934).
- rugosa Arnold, 1951, d. Mali ("Diafarabé, French Sudan") (Arnold, 1951).

## SPECIES EXCLUDED FROM THE GENUS POECILAGENIA

# Poecilagenia sinensis Wahis, 1970

Poecilagenia nigrina Haupt, 1938: 43, ♂ nec ♀ (China: Shanghai). Poecilagenia sinensis Wahis, 1970: 715, ♂ (China: Shanghai).

NOTES. *Poecilagenia nigrina* Haupt, 1938 has been described by female (holotype from Podčetrtek, Slovenia) and three males (paratypes from Shanghai, China). Wahis (1970) synonymized this species with *P. sculpturata* (Kohl, 1898) and proposed

new name *P. sinensis* for the males of *P. nigrina* sensu Haupt, 1938. The latter extremely differ from all males of *Poecilagenia* species by having very long antennal segment 3 (flagellomere 1) ["Fühler zeimlich lang, 3. Glied etwas länger als Schaft + Pedicellus"] which is longer than scape and pedicel combined (0.4-0.75 in Palaearctic *Poecilagenia* species), by having partly exposed gonostyli (not exposed in *Poecilagenia* species). These exposed gonostyli has been wrongly recognized by Haupt as the hypopygium ["Genitalplatte in Seitenansicht kahnförming, am Ende lang behaart, von seiner Spitze tief gespalten, was sich aber nicht gut erkennen lässt"].

Haupt (1938) described his P. nigrina in the tribe Calicurgini Haupt 1937, subfamily Ctenocerinae Arnold (Claveliinae sensu Haupt, 1938) together with Machaerothrix coactifrons Haupt, 1938 from China (Shanghai) (type species of the monotypic genus Machaerothrix Haupt, 1938). For the latter species male was unknown (Haupt, 1938). Later Haupt (1959) transferred the genus Machaerothrix (misspelled *Machaerotrix*) to the subfamily Macromerinae [currently tribe Ageniellini Banks, 1912 (Auplopiini sensu Haupt, 1959) in Pepsinae) and described M. decorata Haupt, 1959 from Canton [Guangzhou], China) by female only. Haupt (1938, 1959) not recognized the male of his genus *Machaerothrix*. Really Haupt (1938) studied the male of Machaerothrix which has been recognized by him as the male of Poecilagenia nigrina. We studied the male of Machaerothrix ussuriensis Lelej, 1986 (Lelej, 1986b) which superficially resembles the male of Poecilagenia sculpturata by having black body with pale tergum 7, by having reticulate-rugose integument of propodeum, by having narrow metapostnotum, by having very similar forewing venation (Fig. 15), but quite differs in having very long antennal segment 3 (Fig. 14 vs. Fig. 13). Fore the more the partly exposed gonostyli in lateral view (Fig. 17) resemble roof-like hypopygium. Volsella and parapenial lobe are very short, placed in the gonostylus inner emargination and practically not visible in dorsal or ventral view (Figs 11, 12). The true hypopygium of Machaerothrix (Fig. 16) is almost hidden. The male of M. johni Wahis, 2000 (paratype is studied) (Wahis & Krombein, 2000) has the same position of gonostyli and hypopygium. We made the conclusion that *Poecilagenia sinensis* Wahis, 1970, male (=nigrina Haupt, 1938, male nec female) is the opposite sex of Machaerothrix coactifrons Haupt, 1938, described from the same place. Therefore new synonymy is proposed: Machaerothrix coactifrons Haupt, 1938 = Poecilagenia sinensis Wahis, 1970, syn. n.

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